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E. O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, ID
SUBJ: INDONESIAN REQUEST FOR LSTS

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH ASST SECRETARY- DESIGNATE GODLEY,
AMBASSADOR THAJEB REFERRED TO GOI REQUEST TO VICE PRESIDENT
FOR LST' S FOR USE IN INTERISLAND TRANSPORT. (THAJEB SUB-
SEQUENTLY CONFIRMED THAT HE WAS TALKING ABOUT LST' S AND
NOT THE DE' S RECENTLY REQUESTED BY PRESIDENT SUHARTO.) VICE
PRESIDENT' S OFFICE (GENERAL DUNN) ALSO CONFIRMED THAT
DURING DISCUSSION OF ECONOMIC MATTERS INDONESIANS TALKED
AT SOME LENGTH OF NECESSITY FOR INTERISLAND TRANSPORT TO
MOVE CIVILIAN GOODS AND PERSONNEL BETWEEN THE ISLANDS.
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'ST' S WERE MENTIONED AS POSSIBLE TRANSPORT. DUNN SAID VICE PRESIDENT MADE NO COMMITMENT, BUT MADE NOTE OF THIS REQUIREMENT. 2

2. ACCORDING DOD ONLY AVAILABLE LST' S WHICH COULD BE CONSIDERED FOR POSSIBLE TRANSFER IN FY 74 ARE ONE OR MORE DEMILITARIZED VESSELS IN 542 CLASS. THESE COULD BE SOLD AT COST OF 75,000 DOLS FOR EACH LST. CONDITION RATED AS FAIR.

3. REQUEST EMBASSY EXPLORE LST REQUEST WITH APPROPRIATE GOI OFFICIALS TO DETERMINE NUMBER NEEDED, DESIRED TIME FRAME, GOI WILLINGNESS TO PURCHASE, AND PRECISE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THEY WOULD BE USED. ALSO REQUEST EMBASSY

ASSESSMENT WHETHER ALL OF THB NINE 511 CLASS LST' S PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED BY U. S. ARE BEING UTILIZED EFFICIENTLY. RECORDS HERE REFLECT SEVEN AS OPERATIONAL AND TWO WITH STATUS UNKNOWN. ROGERS

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